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"DOCTOR", "PROFESSOR" AND "JURIST" TO HAND
OVER CIPHERS AND SECRET CORRESPONDENCE FOR
SAFEKEEPING AT SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON (1946)

From: MOSCOW

To: WASHINGTON

No: 39

8 January 1946

To KULAKOV.[1]

Reference No.20.

All cipher documents, cipher telegrams and secret correspondence must be handed over to you after work, in the form described, by the Doctor [DOKTOR][11], the Professor [PROFESSOR][111] and the Jurist [YURIST][14] for safekeeping in the OSShO[a] safes, situated

[24 groups unrecoverable]

entry to the working room of the OSShO[a], apart from you and the Embassy cipher clerks, may be made use of only by the ambassador or chargé d'affaires.

4. [5 groups unrecovered] OSShO[a] [6 groups unrecovered] duty, so that, [2 groups unrecovered] Embassy cipher clerks' 24 hour turns of duty in the OSShO[a], [2 groups unrecovered] 24 hour turns

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of duty from the Neighbours' [SOSEDI][v] cipher clerks. The Neighbours' cipher clerk assigned, while on duty, is to be subordinate to the person in charge of the OSShO[a] and the duty embassy cipher clerk.

5. Draw up an OSShO duty roster from the embassy and Neighbours' cipher clerks, ask the chargé d'affaires to confirm this roster and organise the turns of duty in accordance with the roster.

Confirm execution.

Regarding the reduction of the list of persons who have the right of entry to the OSShO[a] in the Doctor's line we will advise later

ZhEREbTsoV.[vi]

T.N.: [a] OSShO: the cipher office. Full expansion not known.

Comments: [i] Probably Chief Cipher Clerk at the Embassy.

[ii] Unidentified. The "Doctor" was also referred to in MOSCOW-WASHINGTON [redacted] message No.167 (3/NBF/T731) and in MOSCOW-SAN FRANCISCO [redacted] message No.67 (3/NBF/T141), of 1st and 20th February 1946 respectively.

[iii] Unidentified.

[iv] Unidentified.

[v] Cover-name denoting MGB and GRU.

[vi] Head of 10th (Cipher) Department of the People's Commissariat of Foreign Affairs in MOSCOW.

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